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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 24, 2002, for the above-identified U.S. Patent Application. This response is accompanied with a petition for a one month extension of time and the appropriate fee, and is being submitted on or before February 24, 2003 making this a timely response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 ( Our Order No. A-64383-2/RFT/DHR/KJC).

Please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks herein.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

35. Amended) A recombinant BLNK protein, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 95% identity to the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:1 and binds to a protein selected from the group consisting of Grb2, PLC $\gamma$ , Vav, and Nck .

36. The recombinant BLNK protein according to Claim 35, wherein said BLNK protein comprises the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:1.